

Another Successful Family Day at U Mass Lowell

Bill Gregoire
Connector Staff

Family Day 1995 was "a great day enjoyed by all," according to Mary Connelly, Director of Student Activities and Commuter Services, and overall organizer of Family Day. Many families came to be with their sons or daughters on what was originally a beautiful Autumn day. The rain that was not supposed to arrive until the evening hours made an early appearance towards the end of the outdoor activities, sending families and vendors in search of shelter.

The festivities began with a welcoming from Chancellor Hogan, in which he briefly discussed how the changes at UML will effect the students, staff, and faculty, and of what effect it will have on the quality of education. Pete Stramese, Activities Commission Director and member of the Family Day Committee, and James Fera, President of the Residence Hall Association and member of the Family Day Committee, took their turns welcoming the families to Family Day. As part of the welcome, the UML Marching Band, under the direction of Dan Lutz, played several selections, including "America the Beautiful" and "The Star-Spangled Banner."

There were several booths set up by the various clubs and organizations from UML. They sold food items, raffle tickets, and had games such as darts and computer games. The Residence Hall Association had a casino set up in the South Campus Dining Hall. Tracey Hegarty and Dayna Bergin, both members of RSA, worked in the casino giving out free money,



and prized that were donated by area businesses. They stated, "The casino went over well. It was very successful." Their definition of success is based on the amount of people that attended. The casino was free of charge to those who played. According to Hegarty, "RHA made no money from this casino." Each person received \$1000 worth of casino money at the door. In order for them to get a prize, they had to double their money.

There were several attractions this year, such as pony rides for children and a "Sea of Balls", also a children's attraction. The Sea of Balls is an inflatable room with hundreds of multicolored balls inside where kids can run and jump. There was also an attraction called "Antique Images," where

people could have their pictures taken in 19th century clothing. Another photo opportunity was the "Shark Attack Photos," where people could have their pictures taken inside of a shark's mouth.

Many people had their pictures drawn for them by one of the caricature artists featured at the festival. In front of each of the artists, there were lines of people five or six deep, who waited for their pictures to be drawn. Various craft items such as hand-knit wool sweaters from South American, tie-dye shirts, sterling silver jewelry, framed pictures, imported Irish items, international flags, hair extensions, sweatshirts, and sand art items were offered by outside vendors and student organization. The South Campus Student Information Center provided free

pool and ping-pong games, and the Bookstore's Convenience Store was open to sell items like UML Souvenirs, candy and soft drinks.

Also featured at Family Day was the Caribbean band "Real Steel," which included steel drums. According to Russ Porter, Assistant Director of UML's Activities Commission, and Family Day Committee member, "Real Steel provided Family Day with a laid-back atmosphere."

"Real Steel" played a mixture of Reggae and other Caribbean-style music that made many of the Family Day participants get up and dance. "Tom Foolery", a Jazz band formed of UML students who was originally scheduled to play in the South Campus Quad, played tunes from

several artists, along with some of their own. After "Tom Foolery" played their set, John P. Hopkins took the stage. Hopkins presented an act that combined his talents as a comedian, magician, and ventriloquist. Many members of the audience participated in his act. Some went on stage, while others participated from their seats. It was a funny act enjoyed by everyone.

An event like Family Day involves a lot of planning. This was done by the Activities Commission, the Residence Hall Association, and the Office of Student Activities, Student Centers and Commuter Services. Pete Stramese credited the success of Family Day to Russ Porter, who organized the student club booths and events, Rev. Imogene Stulken of Campus Ministry who organized the vendors from outside of UML, and the Office of Student Activities for Family Day publicity and the processing of vendors' and artists' contracts.

James Fera said "Family Day was an overall big success, with no disappointments." Kyle Copeland, also of the Residence Hall Association and a member of the Family Day Committee stated, "This is the largest Family Day that we've ever had."

Both Fera and Copeland singled out Kristen Amman, advisor to RHA. "Kristen put her whole heart into Family Day." All of the organizers of the Family Day program believed that it was a success, and they were all quick to say that it was a collective effort of all who were involved with the planning and execution of the event.



Students get free caricatures done.



A little boy smiles as he gets a ride on a pony.

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Club Happenings

Check out the new reviews in the
A&E section

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Tuesday 10/17

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6:30 P.M. FOX 426
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Wednesday 10/18

Study Break at Catholic Center

7:00 - 10:00 P.M.,
52 Colonial Ave.
On Wednesday nights you are
welcome to come over for a
study break. Pizza and
refreshments will be served.
The Catholic Center is a com-
munity of students and campus
ministers working together to
nurture our faith life on cam-
pus.

American Sign Language Club

Meetings every Wednesday at
5:30 p.m. in McGauvran 334.
COME JOIN US!

Psi Chi

Psychology National Honors
Society
Meetings: Wednesday 10 - 11
a.m.
Psychology Lounge, 1st floor
Mahoney

Thursday 10/19

Returning Students Assoc Support Group

Every Thursday: 12:00 to
12:50pm, Room 338
McGauvran Student Center

The Hellenic Student Association

The Hellenic Student
Association will be holding a
meeting on
October 19th, 1995 at 15:00 at
Southwick Lounge. All new
members are welcomed to
attend the meeting.

Parking Raffle

Tired of trying to find a South
Campus parking space on
Mondays? Enter a raffle!
NO COST Dean Janice
Stecchi's parking space
will be raffled off for MON-
DAY use from Oct. 16 through
Dec. 11, 1995. Fill out an
entry form located in the
Dean's Office.
Drawings each Thursday.
Student will be notified by
phone. Only need to enter
once for the semester.

Friday 10/20

Rerturning Student Association

7:30 P.M. at the Brewery
Join us for our once a month
get together on the third Friday
of every month!

YMCA Holding "TRAILS OF TERROR" For Month October

The Greater Lowell Family
YMCA is sponsoring the
"Trails of Terror" every Friday
and Saturday from 7:00 p.m. -
Midnight, and "Snow White's
Enchanted Forest" every
Friday and Saturday from 7:00
- 9:00 p.m. during the month
of October. These events take
place at the Camp Massapoag
Family Outdoor Center, locat-
ed on Hall St. in Dunstable,
MA.

On the "Trails of Terror" you
will be guided through trails of
haunted terrain, including
"The Bates Motel", "Michael
Meyers' House", and many
other attractions. For young
children "Snow White's
Enchanted Forest" is a less
scary, but still exciting, walk
through one of the most loved
children's stories. Cost for
both the "Trails of Terror" and
the "Enchanted Forest" is
\$3.00 for adults and \$2.00 for
children under 12.

For more information or direc-
tions to the Camp Massapoag
Family Outdoor Center, please
call the Greater Lowell Family
YMCA at (508) 454-7825.

Saturday 10/21

YMCA To Hold Octoberfest Family Day

The Greater Lowell Family
YMCA will hold its first
Annual Octoberfest Family
Day on Saturday, October 21,
1995 from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00
p.m. This event will take
place at the Camp Massapoag
Family Outdoor Center, locat-
ed on Hall St. in Dunstable,
MA.

The days events will include
games and crafts, face paint-
ing, a Halloween Costume
Contest, story telling and
refreshments. You are also
invited to take the children on
a tour through "Snow White's
Enchanted Forest". Cost for
the Family Day is free,
"Enchanted Forest" tours are
\$2.00 per child. All families
are invited to come and join
the fun.

For more information or direc-
tions to the Camp Massapoag
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tact the Greater Lowell Family
YMCA at (508) 454-7825.
The Greater Lowell Family
YMCA is conveniently located
at the junction of Thorndike
St. and the Lowell Connector,
and serves all the surrounding
communities.

Sunday 10/22

Catholic Mass

6:00 P.M. O'Leary 327
9:00 P.M. Fox Hall 301

Protestant Service

6:00 P.M. Fox Hall 301
Weekly Protestant worship ser-
vices are held at this time and
location. **Service of the Word**
will be followed by an oppor-
tunity for continued reflection
on issues raised by the
Scripture lessons for the day-
as well as conversation about
how the previous week has
gone- as we share refresh-
ments. If you need transporta-
tion please call The Rev.
Imogene Stulken at x5014, e-
mail at stulkeni, or leave a
message at my office in Fox
608B.

Monday 10/23

A.S.A.O.

Come join the culturally
enlightening club called
A.S.A.O. (Association of
Students of African Origin).
All students are welcome at
the weekly meetings on
Mondays at 6:00 p.m. in Fox
Hall, room 621A.

Student Nurses Association

Meeting 1:00pm in the Student
Nursing Lounge, downstairs in
Weed Hall. All nursing stu-
dents are welcome to attend.
For more info call Rich at
5258 or Christine ext.5834

Next Week

Who's Who?

Applications are available at
the North and South Student
Information Centers and the
S.G.A. Office, Fox 411. The
deadline is Friday, October 27,
1995. Criteria are based on
academic achievement, service
to the community, leadership
in co-curricular activities, and
potential for continued suc-
cess. If you are interested in
being considered for this pres-
tigious award, fill out an
application before Oct. 27th.

Economics Club

The next Economics Club
meeting will be on October 24,
1995 at 2:30 p.m.
in FA 302.

Activities Commission Presents:

**Native American Awareness
Day October 26th**
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at
McGauvran Student Center
Check out a day full of ven-
dors, craft demonstrations, and
informative lectures.

Bill Miller, Native American
Singer, 8:00 p.m. in Durgin
Hall

"A True Ghostbuster"
October 25th
7:30 p.m. in Cumnock Hall
Peter Jordan from Weird
America
Haunted Places, Haunted
Minds
Discussion of haunted places
and haunts of the past. A true
witness of demonic posses-
sions and extraterrestrial hap-
penings.

News Briefs

TAPPI NAMED AS CONSULTING BODY TO UNITED NATIONS ORGANIZATION

TAPPI, a technical association for the paper and related industries based in Atlanta, Georgia, was recently named an official consulting body to the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO). TAPPI was chosen for this designation because of its technological expertise and its worldwide knowledge of the paper industry.

UNIDO's mission is to promote industrial development in developing countries and to encourage industrial development and cooperation on global, national, and regional levels. TAPPI will assist the organization's Pulp and Paper Department in the implementation of industrial projects throughout the world. UNIDO's pulp and paper technical assistance program focuses on upgrading existing mills and aiding in the development, transfer and use of appropriate industrial technology related to pulping and papermaking.

A major focus of the pulp and paper program is the development of technology for nonwood pulping and papermaking. In fact, nearly 70% of the pulp and paper projects UNIDO implemented between 1967 and 1990 were related to the use of non-wood fibrous raw materials. Emphasis is also placed on projects utilizing clean technologies, pollution control, water and energy efficiency, and wastepaper utilization. Further, UNIDO intends to target industrial technologies that will benefit environmental protection such as oxygen bleaching, chlorine-reduced bleaching, black-liquor recovery and use, and effluent treatment—technologies in which TAPPI can provide valuable research and training resources.

TAPPI's membership consists of some 33,000 scientists, engineers and researchers around the world—about 25% outside the U.S. In addition, TAPPI has student chapters located at 22 colleges and universities throughout North America. Each year, TAPPI provides numerous conferences, courses, books, magazines, and other information resource to individuals working in the paper and related industries. Working with UNIDO will provide additional opportunities for TAPPI to help advance paper-related technologies in developing countries.

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POLICE LOG

Ryan Talbot
Connector Staff

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

- 02:17- Assist L.P.D, Plymouth St.
- 04:27- Student under arrest by L.P.D
- 11:49- Vehicle towed from rear of Dugan Hall.
- 13:20- Larceny under \$250, O'Leary Library.
- 13:26- Hit & Run, Riverside lot.
- 16:25- Intoxicated male, Aiken by Research. Trinity responded & transported to Saints Memorial for evaluation.
- 17:12- Assist L.P.D in moving a large group, University Ave. & Gershom. Unfounded.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

- 00:18- Complaint of loud people, Plymouth St. L.P.D notified.
- 08:00- Damage to a vehicle, Eames lot.
- 13:35- B&E and larceny from a vehicle, Lovejoy lot. Audio cassettes taken.
- 19:35- Vandalism to a vehicle, Olsen lot.
- 19:47- Vehicle stop, Pawtucket & Varnum Ave. Criminal citation issued & vehicle towed. Unregistered, uninsured & operating after suspension.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8

- 02:13- Reported disturbance, Plymouth St.
- 02:30- Vehicle stop, Plymouth St & Gleason. Citation issued.
- 09:37- Vehicle towed for being unregistered, Lovejoy lot.
- 21:14- Vehicle stop, Riverside & Plymouth St. Citation issued.
- 21:28- Possible domestic dispute, University Ave. bridge. Unfounded.
- 21:42- Vehicle stop, VFW & Standish St. Verbal warning.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 9

- 02:01- Medical call, Leitch Hall. UML-EMS & Trinity responded.
- 07:36- Report of hazardous material, Vulkor lot.
- 16:05- Vehicle stop, French St. Ext. & Cabot St. One under arrest for operating after suspension. Christopher P. Gleason 01/16/72 of Lowell.
- 20:05- Vehicle stop, White St. & VFW. Verbal warning.
- 23:51- Vehicle stop, Pawtucket by Burbeck's. Verbal warning.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10

- 01:54- Vehicle stop, Pawtucket St. by Durgin Hall. One under arrest for OUI. Robert P. Taylor 12/26/50 of Burlington.
- 12:47- Report of people in the Vulkor building. Unable to locate anyone.
- 19:09- Vehicle stop, Pawtucket St. & Wilder St. Verbal warning.
- 22:10- Vehicle stop, University Ave. & VFW. Verbal warning.
- 23:31- Two vehicles towed from Allen House for Fire Lane violations.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11

- 01:07- One under arrest for disturbing the peace and possession of drug paraphernalia with intent to sell, Bourgeois Hall. David A. Dwyer 4/21/77 of Franklin Ma.
- 22:09- Alcohol confiscated, Bourgeois Hall.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12

- 12:41- Hit & Run, Lovejoy lot.
- 19:19- Fire alarm sounding, 2nd floor of Leitch Hall. Caused by cigar smoke.
- 22:55- Vehicle lockout, Fox lot.

The Police Log is provided by the UMass Lowell Police Department.

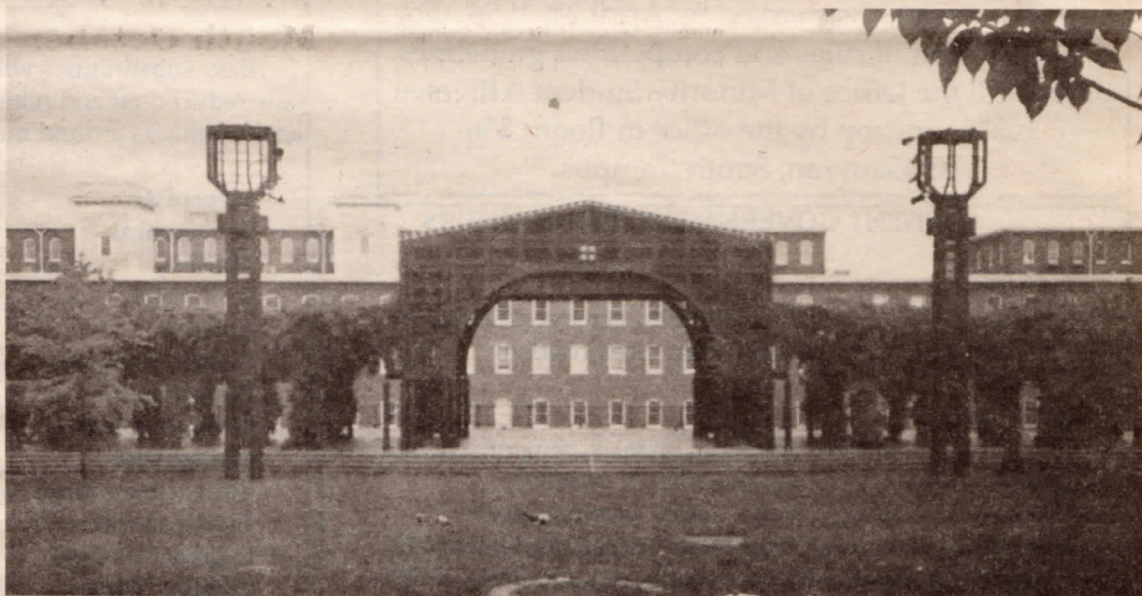
Boarding House Park- A Great Place to Get Away

Steven J. White
Connector Staff

Sitting in front of the Boott Cotton Mill Museum, and next to one of the few rows of boarding houses left in the city, is the Boarding House Park. Many people pass Boarding House Park on their way to downtown Lowell and don't even know it is there.

This park is part of Lowell's revitalization program. Construction began in 1986. Four years and \$2.5 million later, a four-tier grass and stone theater greets the public. The park is surrounded by trees and shrubs separating it from the noise of French Street and the surrounding buildings. The tiers are wide, grassy curves and are boarded by granite and crushed-stone walkways. The tiers slope down to the stage and a large, iron trellis with vines forming a canopy over the wings.

The Boarding House Park Concert Series is held on every Friday and Saturday night during July and August. This series includes concerts and children's performances. A \$3 donation is requested by the promoters.



The Boarding House Park is also used as a summer camp, and is the main stage of the Lowell Folk Festival. At any given time of the day the park is occupied by students from the Satellite School at recess (the only time the park is not a quiet place to walk in). For picnickers, people on lunch break, visitors to the museum, and passers-by looking for a quiet place to relax, the park provides a little oasis in the city.

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The second annual New England Minority Career Fair - "A Commitment to Diversity" - is being hosted by Diversity Recruiting Services and Fleet National Bank on Tuesday, October 24, 1995, at the Hynes Convention Center in Boston. Participation is expected from approximately 75 companies and 4,000 attendants. All 1996 undergraduate/graduate minority students are encouraged to attend. Bring plenty of resumes, dress professionally, and be prepared for on-site interviews from companies such as Anderson Consulting, CVS, Fleet National Bank, IBM, New England Medical Center, Prudential, Tufts Associated Health Plans, and others. If you would like further information, please call the Office of Minority Student Affairs, x4336, or come by the

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1996 AFRICANA STUDENT SCHOLASTIC ESSAY & CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION

The National Council for Black Studies, Inc. (NCBS) invites eligible undergraduate and graduate African students to submit entries for the 1996 Ella Baker/W.E.B. DuBois Africana Student Competition for Scholastic Essay and Creative Writing. This year's theme is "Implementation of Strategies that Advance African World Development and Social Responsibility." There will be cash awards given in the scholastic and creative writing categories for each undergraduate and graduate division. All entries must be postmarked by April 28, 1996. For a complete list of rules and competition guidelines, please call the Office of Minority Student Affairs at x4336, or drop by the office in Room 336 McGauvran, South Campus.

STUDENT GOVERNMENT OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY:
11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.: Brian Gosselin, senator, Class of '97
1:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.: Patty Coffey, vice president

TUESDAY:
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.: Christian Smialek, senator, Class of '98
10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.: Chris Doherty, president
10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.: Patty Coffey, vice president
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.: Brad Gosselin, senator, Class of '97
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.: Rob Robertson, senator, Class of '98

WEDNESDAY:
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.: D.J. Deeb, senator, Class of '99
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.: Scott Houde, senator, Class of '96
1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.: Tim Lewman, senator, Class of '96
3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.: Loretta Montgomery, senator, Class of '98

THURSDAY:
10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.: Chris Doherty, president
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.: Brad Gosselin, senator, Class of '97
12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.: Marc Sadowski, senator, Class of '98
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.: Christian Smialek, senator, Class '98
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.: Chris Simpson, senator, Class of '98
3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.: Alexandria Papa, secretary
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.: Ken Morgan, senator, Class of '97

LAWRENCE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

ST. MARTHA'S FOOD PANTRY

Thanksgiving is fast approaching and volunteers are currently needed to fill special holiday baskets. Hours are flexible and can be conveniently arranged to suit your busy schedule. Call Robin Czifrk at 508-689-8575, or the Office of Community Service at ext. 3193.

St. Martha's Food Pantry supplies emergency food supplies to as many as 300 families each week. Volunteers are always needed.

Applications for
Bookstore Committee funds
may be obtained from the University Life Office.

Deadline for submitted requests is October 31, 1995

at the University Life Office.

U.S. AIR FORCE

The U.S. Air Force will hold an information session on commissioning opportunities for veterans, reservists, guard members, and active military personnel on Tuesday, 24 October 1995. The session will be at 9:00 a.m. in Southwick 328. Call x2252 for more information.

THE UML LITERARY SOCIETY

The Literary Society will be holding meetings on Mondays at 3 PM in McGauvran 334. Refreshments will be served. We are looking for motivated writers and lovers of literary works. All are invited to attend.

*The deadline for submissions to the *Lowell Pearl* is Nov. 1. Please send two copies of your work, one with no identifying marks, to:

UML Literary Society
c/o English Department, O'Leary Library

*The deadline for the *Offering* is Nov. 1. You can send materials to the Literary Society, or via E-mail to WHITES.

For more information contact Steven White at Box 6916, or call (617) 599-9389. By E-mail WHITES.

EATING HEALTHY SNACKS

Easy substitutions will result in more energy and less extra weight. Try some of the new reduced-fat and non-fat products — the taste is there but the fat is not! Keeping healthy snacks around makes it simpler to make healthy choices when you get hungry.

Instead of	Try
Potato chips	Pretzels
Muffins	Bagels
Ice Cream	Lowfat/nonfat yogurt
Cookies	Graham crackers
Pepperoni pizza	Vegetable pizza
French fries	Baked potato
Salad dressing	Nonfat salad dressing
Mayonnaise	Mustard
Butter/margarine	Jam
Cream sauces	Tomato-based sauces
Regular hot dogs	Reduced-fat hot dogs
Cheddar cheese	Part-skim cheese sticks
Chocolate bars	Jelly beans

To get a good idea of where you need to cut back on fat and calories, keep a food diary for one entire week. (Weekends are the stumbling point for students healthy diets). Write down everything that you eat and drink for one week. Remember: alcohol calories (at 7 per gram) quickly add up!
If you have nutrition questions, talk with the health educator on campus at the University Health Service on Mondays and Wednesdays. Call x4991 for an appointment to speak with Tracy Moore, MPH, CHES.

RETURNING STUDENT ASSOCIATION MID-SEMESTER STRESS BREAK

Health and Nutrition
Tracy Moore, M.P.H. C.H.E.S.
Health Educator, Health Services Department
WEDNESDAY, 25 OCTOBER
2:00 to 3:00 p.m.

Physical Fitness
Joan Lehoullier
Director, Recreational Sports Department
TUESDAY, 31 OCTOBER
12:00 to 1:00 p.m.
Both meetings take place in Room 338, McGauvran Student Center, South Campus.

Being stressed should not be The Way of the World. Eating junk food is not always a Rational Choice. What is the marginal utility of one more slice of pizza when you've already eaten three? Even Richard III included fruit in his diet (strawberries - ref.: *Richard III* by W. Shakespeare, Act III, Scene I 7).

Want to know how to cook healthy meals and still have time to study for that test in Calculus? Want to know more about what the Recreation Department offers? Join us in our discussions with Tracy and Joan. They want to help students deal with the difficulties that are building up as mid-semester approach

Skin Cancer-If You Have Skin, You're At Risk

Debbie Fine was a pre-med student looking forward to her sophomore year in college when she found out she had skin cancer. Debbie's younger sister, Stephanie, remembers the day the skin cancer was diagnosed.

"It was unbelievable," Stephanie said. "Debbie looked and felt fine, yet after one visit to the dermatologist she was given only two months to live."

At age 21, Debbie Fine died of malignant melanoma, the most deadly form of skin cancer. This year the number of cases of melanoma is expected to reach 34,100, and about one American an hour will die of the disease.

What Debbie and sister Stephanie didn't realize at the time was that Debbie's fair skin, unusual moles and family history of melanoma put her at high risk for developing the disease.

"As children, we spent most of our summers in the sun without adequate protection," Stephanie

said. "At that time, we didn't know how dangerous it was. Now we know more and can take precautions to help prevent this awful disease. I've also learned what signs to look for and how to keep a watchful eye on my own skin."

Melanoma is more common than any other type of cancer among people between 25 and 29 years old. This isn't surprising when you learn that the hazards of sun exposure are cumulative, and half of most people's lifetime of sun exposure occurs by age 18.

But skin cancer can be cured if detected early and - here's the best news - skin cancer is one of the easiest cancers to detect. By examining your skin from head to toe, you just might save your life.

Skin self-examination involves periodically looking over the skin for any changes in the size, color, shape or texture of a mole; the development of a new mole or any other unusual changes in the skin. Any of these signs should be

reported immediately to a dermatologist or personal physician.

In addition to self-examination, the American Academy of Dermatology and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend the following precautions to reduce the risk of developing skin cancer:

— Avoid "peak" sunlight hours - 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. - when the sun's rays are most intense.

— Apply a sunscreen with a Sun Protection Factor (SPF) of at least 15, about 15-30 minutes before going outdoors, and reapply it every two hours, especially when playing, gardening, swimming or doing other outdoor activities.

"I used to love the look of a tan, but that was before I knew the consequences," Stephanie said. "I still like to spend time outdoors, but I'm smarter about it. I take steps to try to prevent what happened to my sister from happening to me or anyone else I care about."

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The Cost of College Tuition Continues to Rise

College Press Service

The cost of college continues to rise twice as fast as the rate of inflation, a new study by the College Board has found.

Also, today's students are taking on more debt to cover college costs, say educators.

College tuition and fees now

average \$12,432 at private, four-year colleges; \$2,860 at public, four-year colleges; and \$6,350 at private, two-year colleges, according to the study, which surveyed 2,800 schools.

"The reality of going to school has become less of a possibility for some students and families," said Kathleen Brouder,

College Board spokesperson. "But if they are willing to look for financial aid opportunities, there are resources out there that can make school more affordable."

Those financial-aid opportunities, however, are quickly shifting from grants to loans, said College Board President Donald Stewart. While there is nearly \$46

million available in financial aid, almost 60 percent of that sum is in the form of student loans. Ten years ago, loans accounted for about 40 percent of all financial aid.

"We need to take a look at the loan imbalance in this country and see how much our students can afford," Stewart said.

This year's 6 percent tuition increase is less than the 9 percent to 10 percent increases that colleges implemented in the late 1980's. But for some, the 6 percent hike is still too high.

"Schools are coming dangerously close to scaring off students," said David Merkowitz, spokesperson for the American Council on Education. "If tuition increases by a larger amount, a lot of people will be taking a close look at their options."

Anita Roswell, a sophomore at the University of Illinois at Chicago, said that the price of her education has a direct impact on

her weekly schedule. "I have to weigh every hour I spend in class because I know that that's time I won't be able to work," said Roswell, who saw her tuition and fees increase by nearly 7 percent this fall. "I just want to get out in two years. Otherwise I won't be able to afford it."

David Warren, president of the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities, said that cost increases for colleges are similar to those of other institutions. "There are similar expenses to worry about, like insurance, benefits, pensions and higher cost for materials," said Warren. "We are all working in the same economic climate."

At the same time, Roz Heibert, director of public information for the National Association of State Universities and Land-Grant Colleges, said today's public institutions are burdened by smaller federal and state contributions to education.



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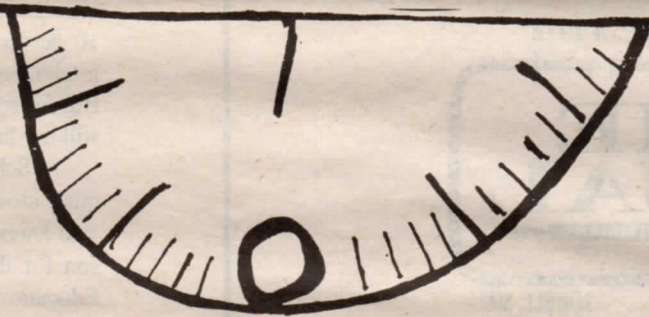
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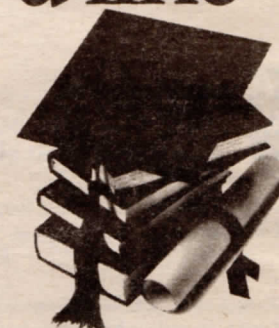
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Letter From The V.P. of Student Government

On October 11, elections were held for class officers and Student Government. For all that participated, thank you and keep up the good work! A "whopping" number of 80 students voted on Election Day. Sorry for the sarcasm, but there is a huge lack of student involvement on campus.

Did you know that the Class of 1996 (and most likely those of many years afterward) will not get a yearbook because the yearbooks for 1995 and 1994 were never completed! Did you know that this campus is going through major budget cuts? Did you know we may become a Division 3 school instead of Division 1? Did you know the bookstore is ripping us off? Did you know Dean King, the Associate Vice Chancellor for University Life, is leaving in December and may not be replaced? How about this . . . did you know there is not going to be a Philosophy Department next year?

Okay I think you've gotten my point. Look, there are a lot of things going on at this university that you need to be aware of and hopefully get involved with. The Student Government is supposed to be the voice of the students, but we are only a small voice . . . we need your help so that all matters can be addressed. I'm sorry if I ruined your day but there are real issues that need to be attended to. So many things are being taken away from the students that we must put a stop to it. Please do not hesitate to call us at 934-5006 or come see us in Fox 412 at the posted office hours. Hope to hear from you!

(My views do not necessarily reflect the views of the whole Student Government.)

Patty Coffey, vice president
Student Government
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Deadline is 5:00 p.m. Tuesday in Fox Hall Room 426. The Connector considers for publication reviews, articles and commentaries on any topic of interest to members of the UMass Lowell community.

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Frank started working here as a sign-ins officer in February of 1992. His first semester was spent at Eames Hall but he moved down to Sheehy/Concordia his second semester here and has been with us ever since. Frank knows everyone's face if not there name. He is one of the friendliest guys you will ever meet. He likes working on south and talking with all the students.

Sheehy/Concordia would like to give a special thanks to Frank for working seven nights a



Frank Martin

week for the first month of school. That is dedication! If you have not had the pleasure of meeting Frank Martin yet, I suggest you stop down and say hello.



Massage Night

Last week's Terrific Tuesday program was another big success! If you haven't already heard what you missed, the program was Message Night. It was organized by Sarah Coe (Concordia R.A.), Craig Nuttall (Concordia R.A.) and Rich Hubert (Sheehy R.A.). Sarah led the group with some

very helpful information. The attendants numbered 25 with another 10 or so in the audience. If you happened to walk in to the lobby in the middle of the program, as many did, you would have seen 25 people paired up with one person laying on a pillow and the other carrying out

Sarah's well-crafted instructions. It probably looked odd but it was very relaxing. The hosts served pizza and soda and raffled off a number of gifts including body oil and a Happy Messenger from the Body Shop. Everyone left relaxed, especially Craig!



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South Campus

Spotlight

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Hard Rock Cafe

Did you did not know where that bus with all those happy people was going? It was going to The Hard Rock Cafe in Boston! It was yet another terrific, Terrific Tuesday program. Pete Stramese, Kelly Beaudoin and Rich St. Laurent coordinated a successful trip to The Hard Rock Cafe. The bus left Sheehy/Concordia hall about 6 PM headed for Boston with about 25 residents. Once they arrived the group ate and then split up to explore the possibilities. They met back at 10:30 PM to head home. Someone suggested a game of Mad Libs and the ride home went quickly. Fun was had by all! Thanks to the Residence Hall Association and the Hall Councils of both Sheehy and Concordia for their financial support.

TERRIFIC TUESDAY ... is going strong! If you haven't had the chance to attend any of the TERRIFIC TUESDAY programs yet, don't fret because there are plenty of Tuesdays left this semester! Here is the line up till the end of the semester.

- 10/3 Hard Rock Cafe
- 10/10 Massage Night
- 10/17 Ice Cream Social
- 10/24 Spooky World Trip
- 10/31 Horror Flick Night
- 11/7 South Unplugged
- 11/14 Roommate Game
- 11/21 Mr. Concordia
- 11/28 Regress to Childhood
- 12/5 Frozen Turkey Toss
- 12/12 Holiday Party

**All of the programs take place in the Concordia Lobby and begin at 7pm unless otherwise specified.

SHEEHY SAVINGS RETURNS!

Attention Sheehy Residents:

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Arts & Entertainment

The Melodious Merchant

By Mike Faucher
Connector Staff

If there's one thing to be said about Natalie Merchant, it's that she's a performer with a voice that can bring a grown man to tears. At the Orpheum Theater October 6, Merchant played to a sold-out crowd emotions as well as their heartbeats, leaving them breathless.

I'll admit I was a bit apprehensive about going, after being inundated with rumors of Merchant being a staunch feminist and having very pretentious ideals and opinions. But she immediately endeared herself to all worried males in the crowd with an attitude that could be nothing less than carefree and humble.

A translucent curtain with the New York State native dancing in shadow from behind paved the way for an opening that drew instant and thunderous applause.



Natalie Merchant (left), seen here with her former band, 10,000 Maniacs, performed at The Orpheum Theater in Boston October 6 & 7.

The show quickly became a direct extension of her incredible artistry. Her steps are as mesmerizing as her voice; lovingly simple, yet extremely sexy at times and she carries herself with the utmost dignity and charm.

Although it was

apparent that the majority of the crowd was still not yet that familiar with her newer material, Merchant gave them reason to beg for more. The songs performed from her latest effort, "Tigerlily" were expected to give the show a darker and more

depressing atmosphere, but with the voice of a lullabying siren she proved that even those could not dispirit the light-hearted air of the audience.

A Mamba-mix of "These Are Days" finally brought the crowd to their

feet as the former 10,000 Maniacs singer had even the spirits of Orpheum-Theater-Past dancing in the aisles. Other songs such as "Carnival", the first release off the new album, and "Eat For Two" displayed Merchants intense and arresting song writing ability.

So, some words of advice if you ever see her live. Firstly, bring a good dancing partner, and second, make sure you leave all doubts behind you that Natalie Merchant is perhaps the most talented and audibly seductive performer of our time.



New Muze Reviewz

Reviews By
Shawn Lambert and Mike
Faucher
Connector Staff

Poi Dog Pondering • Pomegranate

There is a new c.d. out by Poi Dog Pondering called *Pomegranate*. It has a uniquely international sound that runs in a vein all it's own. The amalgamation of violin, flute, horns, sax, flügelhorn, wurlitzer, organ, and other uncommon instrumentation mixed with the traditional guitar, bass and drums makes this band's music full and pleasant. But don't let the obscure instruments fool you, this band will rock your soul. The sounds are sweetly seductive, and frequently



upbeat and happy. This band is one of the few bands today that truly know what creating music is all about. They are talented players and the lyrics are often insightful, abstract, and always poetic.

Poi Dog originally came out in 1989 with a c.d. called *Postcards from a Dream*, on Columbia Records, and followed it up with two other albums also on Columbia: *Wishing Like a Mountain* and *Thinking Like the*

Sea, Volo, and a live tape called *Poi Energy, Inc.* which was not of Columbia fame. They have managed to survive successfully with little to no radio air play and no video consideration. The newest album is not on Columbia, but their own label called Pomegranate Records. I have yet to see it in stores but you can get a individually signed copy through their fan club for no more than a regularly priced c.d. It comes in a uniquely styled cardboard c.d. holder. The enclosed booklet is a masterpiece of good photography and beautiful layout design worthy of praise. Their own label sacrifices nothing in packaging or sound quality, and in my opinion is better than most current major label efforts. So if your big on music with more sound

than your average run of the mill MTV band, I suggest jumping all over this album.

AC/DC • Ballbreaker

Ah... AC/DC. Those politically incorrect, sexually offensive, and simple rockers of the past three decades are back. Though it's been five years since their last studio album, the electric and tasteless boys have remained unruffled by the fervor over the 90's music revolution. With typical subtlety, their latest (and last ?) effort *Ballbreaker*, is by far their best outing since 1980's *Back In Black*.

For the new album, veteran producer Rick Rubin was brought in to help the band restore the sound and tightness of AC/DC's earlier stuff.

Rubin, who has worked with Tom Petty, The Red Hot Chili Peppers and The Cult, has done just that. Yes, the band is getting older, and at times listening to Brian Johnson's voice is as about as pleasant as hearing a cat being disemboweled, but Rubin has brought out the bluesier tones and got Johnson to reach areas he thought were previously unattainable. Listeners can finally hear how that shrill evolves from a low card shark tone to a demonic howl.

"Hard As A Rock", the first and possibly the worst single they could have released first (AC/DC seems to always have a problem here) grows on you, and tracks two through six

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Southern California Comes to Lowell at the LA Ballroom

By Shawn Lambert
Connector Staff

The evolution of the night club has largely changed since the seventies. Aside from the disco balls disappearing into better light systems, dance clubs have primarily competed in what they have to offer in the way of night time entertainment and aesthetics. Where the seventies clubs only served liquor and dancing, the modern establishments offer live bands, some offer dancing and pool tables; and, all clubs seem to have a bar and dart games. The modern clubs also try to establish a theme in the general decor, although I have yet to see one which is successful. The LA Ballroom seems to cater to just about every aspect of night style entertainment available today.

The club is

divided into three floors: The first floor is a typical Pub style restaurant/bar offering a variety of sandwiches and appetizers; the second floor offers pool tables, darts and club



dancing; and the third floor is graced with an ample size stage and plenty of seating. All floors offer a full bar with a wide selection and competitive drink prices.

The first floor restaurant called *The Bar Company*, also has a tiny stage with a small area for entertainment and reminds me of an intimate blues club without the blues,

much cleaner and better lit. The second level's dance area may be a bit too small for the amount of people who dance; nevertheless, no one seems to mind. It's like being on

the T and shuffling back and forth. The dance music is current with original mixes and if you like all the popular stuff, you'll like this club's music. A great deal of pretty people usually crowd to the second floor; girls with hair sprayed big and guys who you know would be wearing ball caps if the club allowed them. Even if you don't dance you can

usually squeeze against the bar and participate in the meat market aspect of the second floor.

But let's say your sick of the pounding repetitive beats of modern dance techno music, no problem. Just climb a flight of stairs and watch the live bands play to a primarily empty room. It's not that people aren't there, it's just that the room is so big! The third floor's band is usually differ-

middle. The third floor boasts lovely Greek architecture, and has the feel of watching a rock band play in the Parthenon.

Not so fast. You've got plenty of time. The doors open at eight but, like most night clubs, it is virtually empty until about 10:30. So you'll have plenty of time to go to that frat party first. Still interested in going? Great, then grab three bucks and



ent so at least there is a variety from week to week if you're an avid club goer. However, bear in mind that most of the bands that play their are either local and/ or unsigned which means you never know what your going to end up hearing. Rumor has it *Letters to Cleo* and *Better Than Ezra* are coming.

What the LA Ballroom theme is all about I have no idea. The decor ranges from all hard wood bar downstairs, to a standard dance club in the

your fake ID because this is yet another club you can't go to on the weekend if your under 21. Another rumor has it, Thurs. nights are changing to 18+. Sundays are all ages shows; however, the calendar changes and the person on the recorded phone message is not up to date and reads poorly off her que card.

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are the true meat of the album. "Cover You In Oil" sounds as if it was written for *Powerage* , with a groove that is so simple it's impossible not to tap your feet.

When I first listened to the album, I used the shuffle option and the opening track was "The Furor". The song has an incredible amount of energy and was a good indication as to what could be expected throughout the

rest of the album. "Hail Caesar" raises the hairs on your neck at first, then self-destructs at the chorus, and "Boogie Man" is a 90's version of "The Jack", with obvious homage to the bands bluesy roots.

AC/DC has had more of an influence on the modern rock scene than most would have guessed. Veruca Salt's *American Thighs* is named after a line from "You Shook Me All Night

Long" and many new rock bands have acknowledged their impact. Their simple riffs and often uninspiring lyrics are at the backbone of rock n' roll, and they always make it work.

All in all, it's one hell of an album. The electricity of Angus Young's Gibson SC is still there and *Ballbreaker* shows that these guys still know how to have fun.

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 - 9. Manipulates the movement of a boat
 - 10. African mammal that feeds on ants
 - 12. Eisenhower's nickname
 - 14. Concluding passage of a musical movement following the last section
 - 17. stylish
 - 18. Perfectly abhorrent answer to ma
 - 19. A female member of the comic X-men
 - 23. Used to send messages
 - 27. ____ In the Cage (song by the J. Geils Band)
 - 31. Elliot's glowing friend
 - 32. A Hawaiian P. I.
 - 34. A kind of sex
 - 35. Not false time (abbr.)
 - 36. High ranking holy man
 - 37. Odin's Day (abbr.)
 - 38. A greedy person's favorite word
 - 39. One of the apostles of Christ
 - 40. A no stick cooking spray
 - 41. Times around
 - 42. Untruth
 - 43. Cartoon Rabbit *Bucky*
 - 46. An older man would call a small boy this

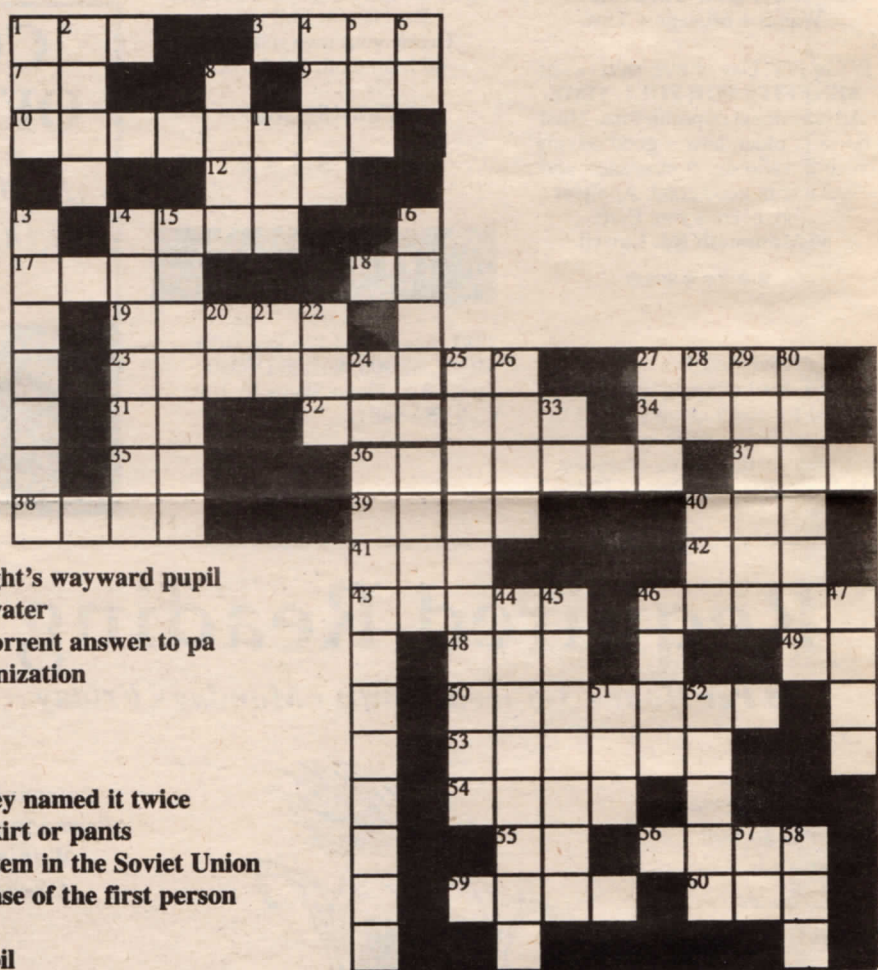
48. Number of pins knocked down to score a strike
49. In a direction towards
50. A narrow strip of land bordered by water connecting two larger pieces of land
53. Sharing inheritance
54. The opposite of Beverly Hills
55. To go in opposition
56. For the poor
59. To be full of
60. To put into a stable position
- Down
- 1. Your car's ambulance service
 - 2. Soil, sand, & clay
 - 4. Not interesting
 - 5. Long living tree
 - 6. A hit series by Michael Chriton
 - 8. Author of *Metamorphoses*
 - 11. Alias's name
 - 13. To shout approval
 - 14. Holds water
 - 15. Group of eight singers
 - 16. A collection of words
 - 20. Alcohol (suff.)
 - 21. The symbol for the element rhenium
 - 22. Universal's competition
 - 24. To reconcile with family or friends
 - 25. Of air, gases or wind
 - 26. Most important part of a ship
 - 27. Eggs of a fish
 - 28. Symbol for the element

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By Shawn Lambert

Argon

- 29. The Green Knight's wayward pupil
- 30. Fire, earth, or water
- 33. A perfectly abhorrent answer to pa
- 40. A terrorist organization
- 44. To conclude
- 45. Excite
- 46. Partially
- 47. A toy so nice they named it twice
- 51. The edge of a skirt or pants
- 52. A mountain system in the Soviet Union
- 57. The objective case of the first person pronoun
- 58. A name brand oil



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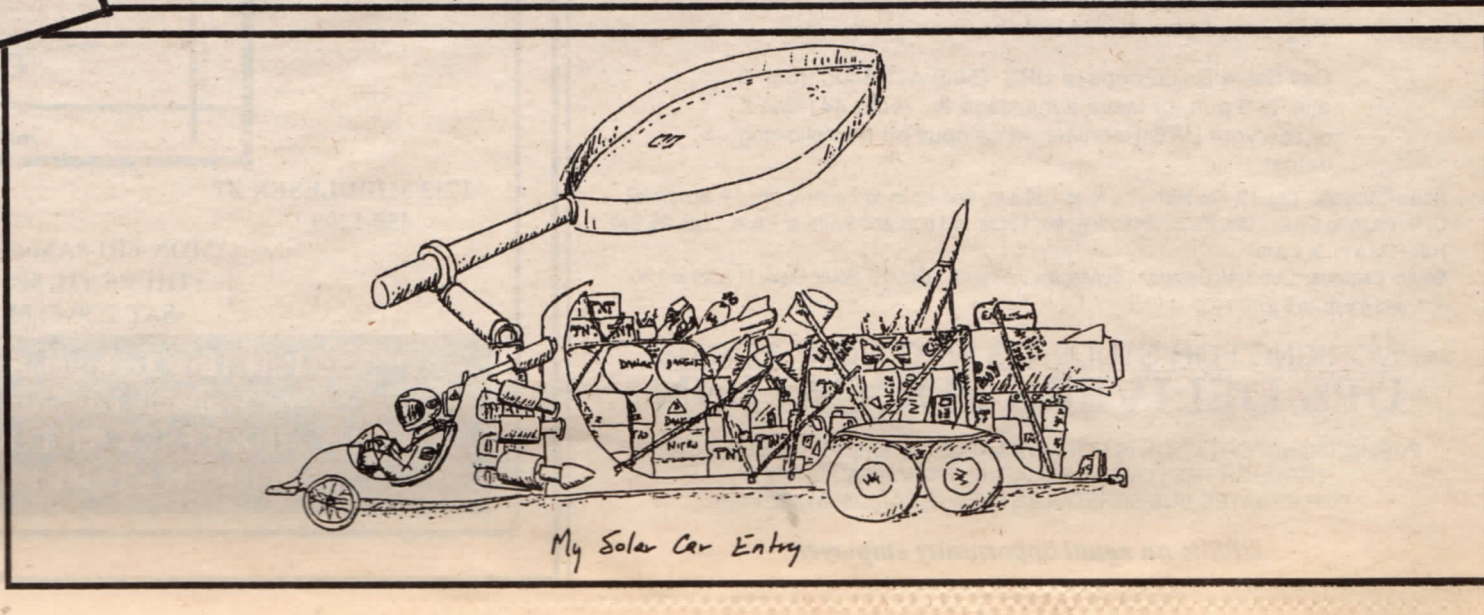
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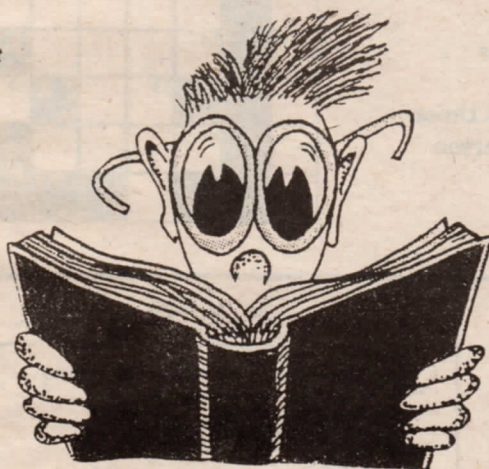
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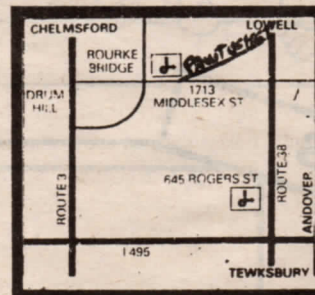
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Cross-Country Update

Nijole Boudreau
Connector Contributor

This Saturday the Women's Cross Country team competed in the Holy Cross International in Worcester. Freshman Caitlyn Kolodzinski finished first for UML and 10th overall. She was followed by Heather Farrand, Captain Renee McKenzie, Jenan Pratt, Deb Russo, Nia Boudreau, Deb Para, and Summer Sandquist.

Friday, the Men's Cross Country team placed 20th the All New England Championships. Captain Steve Walsh led the way, followed by James Johnson and John Schaffus.

This Saturday the River Hawk Harriers will appear at Franklin Park for the Women's New England and the Keene State Invitational for Men. We wish them good luck and fast legs.

UML's Women's Volley Ball Scores

Drew Poirier
Connector Staff

Liz Noble leads way to 3-1 rout of Saint Anselm

Coming off an impressive 3-0 victory over Merrimack College last Tuesday, Lowell was expecting a relatively easy time with Saint Anselm this past Thursday. Their expectations proved true as Lowell cruised to a 3-1 victory over the Saint Anselm Hawks to improve their overall record to 11-12.

Game one started out fast with Lowell controlling the play and jumping to a commanding 11-0 lead before Saint Anselm finally put a point on the board. After the Hawks managed to get past their first-point jitters, they played better for the remainder of the game, matching the River Hawks' point-for-point for the 15-5 final score. As had been the norm for much of the season, Lowell's offensive

attack was paced by freshman Katie Toomey, with support from Bethany Giles and Liz Noble.

Lowell jumped out to a quick 6-2 lead in game two, forcing an early time-out by Saint Anselm. Lowell's early lead came not as a result of good play by the River Hawks, but by poor play by Saint Anselm. Whatever was said during the Saint Anselm time-out by Head Coach Lloyd Sheehan must have worked, because the Hawks came out of the break and scored nine straight points to take the lead at 11-6. Although Saint Anselm played well after the break, much of their success can be attributed to a communication breakdown on Lowell's part. Liz Noble was able to rally the team and carried them to close the gap to 14-13. To Saint Anselm's credit, they did not buckle under the pressure of UML's comeback. Saint Anselm managed to hold on and win the game 15-13, after taking a time-out, which tied the match at one all.

Lowell coach Karen McNulty changed things by starting sophomore Jodie Semas. She also began rotating Semas and Pam Dubuque for Katie Wolfarth and Susan Costello. Whether these changes motivated the team or not, Lowell came out stronger than in the previous two games, scoring 13 unanswered points. During this rally Katie Toomey tattooed a Hawk's forehead with a blistering kill that brought the

small but noisy crowd to their feet. This game was a complete turnaround from game two, and showed that this is a team developing the maturity they need to put poor performances behind them and get on with taking care of the game at hand. As in game two, Liz Noble was the driving force behind the River Hawk machine, getting the winning kill for the dominating 15-1 final score.

As was the case in games one and three, Lowell jumped out quick once again taking a 7-1 lead before Saint Anselm was forced to take a much-needed time-out. Throughout the game, both Toomey and Noble continued to drill kill after kill, and this offensive barrage proved to be more than the Hawks could handle, as they succumbed to Lowell once again, this time to the tune of 15-2.

Looking past the second game meltdown, Lowell outscored Saint Anselm 45-8 in their three wins. This was quite an impressive performance on the part of the entire River Hawk roster. As she has been for the majority of the season, Liz Noble was the team's leader. She rallied the team when they needed her and got the improvement points when she had to. Lowell will try to build on two overpowering performances in a row and even their record at 12-12 with tonight's home match-up with Eastern Nazarene at 7:00 p.m. in Costello

Sports Speak...

with Drew Poirier

Let me preface this piece by saying it was written before the Patriots made the trip to Kansas City this weekend, so they might have started turning things around on Sunday. However, I find it hard to believe that they could have corrected all that was wrong with them in just one week.

How could so many "experts" have been so wrong? Thus far this season, the New England Patriots have baffled both the sports media and fans (including myself) by playing well below pre-season expectations. I felt the Patriots would be good this year; perhaps not as good as the football previews from ESPN, Sports Illustrated, et al, said they would be, but good enough to secure a Wild Card berth with a 9-7 or 10-6 record. So far it seems that even my conservative hopes for this team are beyond reach, never mind some of the things that were said by the above mentioned previewers.

Of the five pro-football preview magazines I have, Sport Magazine's predictions were the most off-the-mark, even before the season started. It picked the Patriots not only to win the AFC Eastern Division, but also had them representing the AFC in Super Bowl XXX. A little easier to believe is Sport Magazine's belief that Parcells and Bledsoe would be named, respectively, Coach of the Year and Most Valuable Player, because it would take a herculean effort by both men for the Patriots to realize such lofty aspirations, an effort that would certainly qualify them for the awards. The most absurd thing Sport Magazine did was give the Pats an overall rating of "A," the same rating they gave to the San Francisco 49ers and the Dallas Cowboys. Now come on, to claim that New England is at the same level of excellence as the 49ers and Cowboys is just plain stupid. The

Pats can only hope to match Dallas and San Francisco at three positions (quarterback, tight end, and possibly center), and as good as Bledsoe is, he still has much to learn in the NFL. Rather than quote endlessly from every magazine, I'll summarize by saying the prevailing opinion was that the Pats would finish second or first in the AFC East and challenge for the AFC title. They are about as far from that as they could possibly be right now.

We all know the Patriots aren't playing as well as everyone expected, but the big question still remains unanswered: "Why?" The offense is the biggest problem right now, and I doubt whether there is one single thing that can be done to turn things around. Granted, Bledsoe and Coates, the Pats two biggest offensive weapons, are hurt, but even when Bledsoe was healthy they couldn't put the ball in the end zone. One obvious problem with the offense is the line. You couldn't squirt water through what they are calling running lanes, never mind allow Curtis Martin to find some daylight. The running backs have no chance of running up the middle unless the line starts playing capably. Everyone in the league was running all over Denver before they played New England, and then they held the Pats to something like 40 yards rushing. Do you think their defense just played that much better on that day? Neither do I. We have to assume (or should I say pray) that Bledsoe and Coates will return to form once they get healthy and that the receivers will start playing better (with the exception of Moore, who has played well).

As obvious as the problems with the offense seem, I wouldn't underestimate the impact of the hole left by Kevin Turner when he went to the Eagles. Yes, I realize he blew out both knees early in the year, but the

fact remains that he isn't playing on the Patriots and that he is a solid short-yardage runner, a good run-and-pass blocker, and a good dump-off receiver that could be on the field for the majority of the plays. I have a feeling that if Dallas lost Daryl Johnston, a player very similar to Turner, you would notice a drop in Dallas's offensive production.

Big. That's what Coach Parcells wanted his defensive line to be, and that's all they are, big. And slow. Apparently he didn't care if they were any good or not, because this line just isn't pulling its weight (sorry about the pun). This might have worked in Parcells' glory days with the Giants, but times change in the NFL. Today, the name of the game is speed, and if you happen to get size with speed, you're that much better off. This line just doesn't put any consistent pressure on opposing quarterbacks, thus putting too much pressure on the linebackers and secondary. Speaking of the secondary, it looks like rookie cornerback Ty Law has emerged as a solid pass defender and should get his fair share of playing time over the remainder of the season. Another problem with the defense is that it is only natural to get frustrated when you see that no matter how well you play, the offense still can't score.

Now, even though the Patriots have many things to fix, the season isn't over yet. The toughest part of the schedule is over, with the combined record of their next eight opponents a weak 12-19 as of 10/14/95 (and that record includes the 8-2 combined record of Buffalo, who they play twice, and Miami). That means the other four teams they play (Jets twice, Panthers, Saints, and Colts) have a pitiful combined record of 4-17. So, things are looking up for the Patriots to close out the season strongly, if they can only get their act together.

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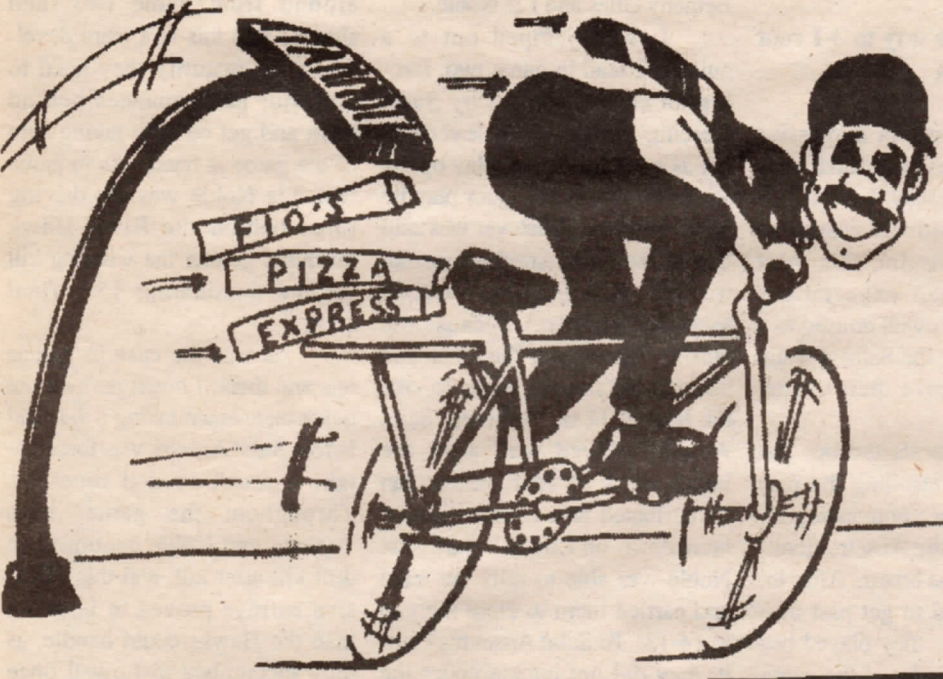
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